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SUBJECT: IAEA ECONOMY MEASURES NEW PROCEDURES FOR MEETINGS

REF: IAEA VIENNA 5294

1. SUMMARY. FOLLOWING IS MAIN SUBSTANCE OF INTERNAL AGENCY INSTRUCTION ISSUED RE FINANCIAL PROCEDURES CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN PANELS, AS ONE OF SEVERAL STEPS TO ACHIEVE SAVINGS, IN VIEW OF CONTINUING DETERIORATION OF U. S. DOLLAR/ AUSTRIAN SCHILLING EXCHANGE RATE. END SUMMARY.

2. FOR REMAINDER OF YEAR, AGENCY WILL BE PREPARED ONLY IN EXCEPTIONAL CASES TO MEET COSTS OF PARTICIPATION ( TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE) OF EXPERTS DESIGNATED BY MEMBER STATES.

3. FOREGOING DOES NOT RPT NOT APPLY TO CASES WHERE NOMINATIONS ALREADY SOUGHT.

4. INVITATION LETTERS NOT RPT NOT YET SENT OUT SHOULD BE EXAMINED ON CASE- BY- CASE BASIS, AND AGENCY SHOULD BE PREPARED MEET COSTS OF PANELIST FROM " DEVELOPED"  
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MEMBER STATE ONLY IF PARTICIPATION OF EXPERT FROM THAT STATE IS ESSENTIAL AND IF IT IS CLEAR THAT SUCH PARTICIPATION WOULD NOT BE SECURED UNLESS AGENCY WILLING MEET COSTS OF PARTICIPATION.

5. FOR MEMBER STATES THAT CONSIDER THEMSELVES IN "DEVELOPING" CATEGORY, PAYMENT OF PARTICIPATION COSTS MAY BE MADE IF SPECIFIC REQUEST TO THAT EFFECT IS RECEIVED FROM STATE CONCERNED.

6. FOLLOWING STANDARD CLAUSE ( UNESSENTIAL WORDS OMITTED) SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN LETTERS INVITING NOMINATIONS, IN WHICH DECISION HAS BEEN MADE NOT TO PAY COSTS OF PARTICIPATION FROM DEVELOPED MEMBER STATES: QUOTE. IN VIEW FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES FACING IAEA THIS YEAR, IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY TO RECONSIDER SOME FINANCIAL PROCEDURES CONCERNING COSTS OF PANELS. AGENCY WILL, THEREFORE, NOT BE ABLE TO BEAR COSTS OF TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE FOR PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING THIS PANEL. AN EXCEPTION MAY, ON REQUEST, BE MADE IN CASE OF PANELISTS RECOMMENDED BY MEMBER STATES THAT CONSIDER THEMSELVES TO BE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRY CATEGORY. UNQUOTE.

7. DIRECTIVE ALSO APPLIES TO STUDY GROUPS, WORKING GROUPS, OR MEETINGS OF SIMILAR CHARACTER.

8. MISSION COMMENT: THIS IS RATHER STRONG MEDICINE AND STEP WHICH WE SUSPECT MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT U. S. PARTICIPATION IN SOME AGENCY MEETINGS, WHICH, IT TURN, WE BELIEVE IS LIKELY TO ADVERSELY AFFECT QUALITY OF WORK PRODUCED BY PANEL AND ULTIMATELY THE PROGRAM INVOLVED. WE CAN, OF COURSE, RELY TO SOME EXTENT ON USE OF COST- FREE EXPERTS, BUT THERE IS OBVIOUSLY LIMIT AS TO HOW FAR WE CAN GO IN THIS RESPECT. IN THIS CONNECTION, WOULD E HELPFUL FOR MISSION TO HAVE ROUGH IDEA OF AMOUNT OF FUNDS REMAINING FOR COST- FREE EXPERTS FOR REST OF THIS YEAR ( TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PENDING REQUESTS), IN ORDER THAT WE MAY ATTEMPT TO FORECAST AND RECOMMEND WHERE OUR PRIORITIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED. AS FIRST STEP ON THIS SIDE, WE WILL TRY TO PUT TOGETHER COMPLETE LIST OF ALL MEETINGS SUBJECT TO THIS DIRECTIVE SCHEDULED FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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REMAINDER THS YEAR. END COMMENT.  
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